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## President Wilson's First Appoint- other. ment to the Supreme Court.

It fell to President TAFT, who had passed most of his professional career upon the bench, to appoint a Chief Justice and five Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States. Three of them were Republicans and three were Democrats. All of Mr. TAFT's selections were excellent, but he familiar with the merits and standing of the lawyers and Judges who might be considered qualified to sit in the court of last resort and interpret the Constitution. In making his appointments Mr.

TAFT considered only knowledge of the law, as evidenced by leadership at the bar and service on the bench. Personal intimacy entered into only one of his choices, that of Judge Horace H. LUR-TON of the United States Circuit Court, who has just died. Judge LURTON had received his appointment to the Circuit bench from President CLEVELAND, TON, and the country will expect him estimated as high as 300,000. to proceed with the greatest delibera-

will therefore be pecessary for him to seek the information in the usual way. As there remain only two Democrats on the Supreme Bench the President will be urged to select a Democrat, and there can be no objection if Mr. Wilson can find a Democratic lawyer of the requisite calibre and standing. It is better that the court should be divided politically as evenly as possible, provided capacity is the first consideration: and there is no good reason why all parts of the country should not be represented. The only criticism made of Mr. Taft's appointment of Mr. Justice LURTON was that at 65 he was a little too old to begin a term of exacting service upon the Supreme Bench. All of Mr. Taft's later appointments were of much younger men. But with regard to the question of age, professional experience and attainments should govern the choice.

# Peace Prevails in Ulster.

There is really nothing to wonder at. to reasonable possibilities and spending plain of late that the real leaders, Sir public approval. EDWARD CARSON and men of his stamp,

have no desire for bloodshed. The great danger in the crisis just the resolutions breathing fire and defiance. But not a blow was struck and three are to be accepted. sufficient care was taken to avoid stirharmless skyrockets.

exactly of good will. The threatened Royal Naval air stations, and upon mere mischievous perversity. The only passing an examination he will be re-

those who threaten it most recklessly will be glad to postpone it again pending the experiment of exclusion, which is now provided for on a six year basis in a bill on its passage through the House of Lords. The end of this experiment is too far off to make it worth

while guessing what will come after. Yesterday was a good day for Ireland. Not only was peace preserved but the people on both sides showed excellent powers of self-restraint, political discipline and obedience to discreet leadership. The event is not without favorable indications as to the success which the country may make in governing itself under its new charter.

## General Huerta's Intentions.

The authenticity of the interview at Vera Cruz with Senor Esteva Ruiz, ... 2 50 formerly acting Minister of Foreign THE EVENING SUN (Foreign), Per Mo. 1 03 Relations, in which he says that General HUERTA is about to relinquish the provisional Presidency in favor of Dr. FRANCISCO CARBAJAL, now Minister of Foreign Relations, may not be open to question, but no one knows General dealer or directly of Publication Office, tele- HUERTA's intentions except himself. He is still dictator, and he has changed his Cabinet officers so often there is no assurance that Dr. CARBAJAL will not quickly follow his predecessors into retirement. It is not to be denied, however, that this learned gentleman enjoys the respect of Constitutionalist leaders and would make a respectable figure as a compromise candidate if they were willing to accept anybody associated with the old Diaz régime. This, however, they have never shown Paris office, 6 Rue de la Michodiere, off a disposition to do. If they could receive guarantees that Dr. CARBAJAL would turn over his office to Governor CARRANZA, or preferably to a civilian who had had no connection with the and illustrations for publication wish to have insurgent army, an armistice, to be folrejected articles returned they must in all cases lowed by entry into the city of Mexico, might be arranged, but this is too much to hope for, as neither side trusts the

That the Constitutionalists have only to press their advantage in the field to triumph by force of arms is now ad mitted by Huerta's partisans, even by his personal associates. It is this view of the situation that lends plausibility to the statement of Senor Ruiz. General HUERTA could doubtless keep up his resistance until San Luis Potosi was an accomplished jurist himself and and perhaps Queretaro fell, but any day railroad communication with Vera Cruz and Puerto Mexico may now be cut off. He must soon have to choose between going down literally sword in hand or making his escape to the protection of a foreign man-of-war. As for the Constitutionadists, they have only to fear dissension in their own ranks. Probably nothing but the consummation of their campaign by entry into the city of Mexico would satisfy them.

## The Big Coney Island Tieup.

which was an assurance that Chief as a practical people that such a tie-Justice Lurron of the Supreme Court up as occurred at Coney Island on of Tennessee was a learned lawyer, for, Sunday night should be within the like Mr. Taft, Grover Cleveland took range of possibility. The accident ithis power of appointment to the bench self was a commonplace of electrical seriously. It now becomes the duty of operation, the blowing out of a trans-President Wilson to fill the vacancy former. The consequence was excescaused by the death of Mr. Justice Lug. sive inconvenience to a crowd of people

The first point that will strike every tion and care to discharge his responsi- one as decidedly unpractical is that all the means of transportation were Although the President studied law apparently dependent on a single apyoung manhood, he practised a paratus. Not only did the mishap put very short time and can hardly be fa- the elevated railway trains out of runmiliar with the attainments of leaders ning, it also stopped a large numof the bar throughout the country. It ber of the surface car lines. Thus the crippling of the one system meant the crippling of the other, instead of either becoming available as a relay or sub- trying to account for the wealth of this stitute in case of need, as the public city, forgets, as so many other critics

has a right to expect. Hardly less surprising is the discov- little manufacturing business here: ery that there was no duplicate driving "The greatest life insurance companies power to fall back upon. It might have are in New York. Every bank in the that a complete outfit would have stood | credit balance in some New York bank. ready for use at any moment that the Stocks and bonds, State, railroad, public this was not practicable in a single around New York. power station a supplementary plant amusement forces of this country. New would seem to be in order for emergen-

There was nothing uncommon in the of the United States." size of the crowd that was tied up through this seemingly unnecessary lack of foresight. On any warm night and every Sunday night in the season as many people are liable to experience inconvenience and suffering, in some cases serious harm, by lack of provision for contingencies of this sort. Surely it is not extravagant to expect the com-Friends of Ireland, friends of civili- pany which profits by this enormous zation everywhere, will be gratified by business to exercise more care and prethe peace which prevailed yesterday in vision. The public should be fully pro-Ulster throughout the celebration of tected against accidents where protecthe Battle of the Boyne anniversary. Ition is a mere matter of looking ahead In spite of all the wordy bludgeonings a relatively small amount of money. which the auti-home rule talkers have The situation would seem to be one in inflicted on the rest of Ireland and on which the Public Service Commission the Asquith Ministry it has been very could take positive action with high to

# The Royal Naval Air Service.

The British Admiralty, believing that past was that under the holiday excite- aviation for offence as well as reconment some of the rank and file of the naissance will play an important part Orange volunteers might get out of in wars of the future, has reorganized hand and either resort to violence or by the Naval Air Service, given it individtheir conduct provoke violent reprisals uality and placed its officers upon an from the Nationalist partisans. The out- equality with those of the Royal Navy. come shows that the leaders had their While it is expected that lieutenants of men well under control. All the for- the regular service will be attracted to malities were observed as usual-the the aviation branch because promotion parade, the mass meeting, the speeches, will be more rapid there, civilians between the ages of nineteen and twenty-

The enlistment term for civilians is ring up the other side to action. The to be four years on active duty and it so. explosives that caused a momentary four years in the reserves, but the Adalarm in Londonderry, we take it, were miralty can extend the time, the object the people Amos Pinchot, Senator being to offer a career to the most com-Well, the day is over, sanely and petent. Every year civilian aviators will safely over, and Ireland and England cruise with the fleet, so that "they may sorrow in Webster Hall in this city tobreathe more freely. New hope arises learn to identify themselves closely morrow night. That no truculence may that all the difficulties of the coming with the navy and acquire its tra. be wanting, an invitation has been sent

which, if rated efficient, he will be appointed a Flight Lieutenant, with pay

of a Lieutenant in the navy. Naval officers detailed to the flying corps will serve for four years, and a certain number of them who show suskilful, whether they come from the navy or from civil life, will logically go to the top. Officers who are not selected for Wing Captain, Wing Commander. Squadron Commander or Flight Commander will return to their ordinary duties in the fleet at the end of four years, but they may subsequently be detailed to the Air Service. Seniority is not to figure in promotion, merit ruling.

high rank and good pay to men who would find promotion at sea comparatively slow. A Wing Captain will receive about \$15 a day, a Wing Commander \$10, a Squadron Commander \$7, and a Flight Commander \$4.25. These officers and all others, although coming from civil life, will be able to jury be expected to believe? write R. N. after their names and claim a professional equality with men of the same rank in the seagoing service. Mechanics who understand the construcceiving almost as good pay as that of a Flight Lieutenant, which is at present

The reorganization on an ambitious is to be challenged. Unfortunately for the United States it is not regarded sidering that Congress refuses to take aviation seriously.

## Kansas Woman Voters.

They say Kausas is bleeding again; at least, that her politicians are, and who in Kansas is not a politician? Except En Howe, the philosopher of Potato it cept ED Howe, the philosopher of Potato it not benefit the pedestrian if more Hill. August 4 there will be a state wide primary in cities and towns of the of Fifth avenue, where but a few. Twentywide primary in cities and towns of the first and second class; registration is a Forty-fifth street, I believe, only exist condition precedent of voting. Some 125,000 women should register, and they are slow about it. The party organs on the west side, flanked by seg them to come and be recorded be. Bros., while Altman, Tiffany, &c.. fore July 20. Black suspicions of "indifference" are abroad. But wait and

see. We don't know whether a temperature of 108 in the shade is equal to the ordinary Sunflower ardor, but mere menfolks in these parts would consider the early nineties a sufficient cause for the count before assuming that in regions of the Kaw the hand that rocks the craof the Kaw the hand that rocks the cradle is tired of a weapon that comes by any old kind of an engineer or driver. It is not very flattering to our pride down as still as snowflakes fall upon the sod. The lines are ancient, but in serviceable this sort of weather the mind loves to dwell on snowflakes.

The unprejudiced observer will be the more indifferent about this "indifference" because of new reports from Kansas that some women indignantly by the law. This is an old story. It

In the dog days how can anybody expected to care for anything?

# A Memphian Economist.

The Memphis Commercial Appeal, do, curiously enough, that there is a

been expected as a natural precaution United States of any character has a one in commission went wrong. If and private corporation, are dealt in

"New York is headquarters of the York is a big wholesale dry goods and clothing market. It is the notion centre

It is also the manufacturing centre of the United States. Does the Memof products was more than two billions, and the value added by manufacture nearly one billion?

It is an artless belief of many outlanders that New York makes nothing. does nothing, fattens on the sweat of the downtrodden countryman. Do they know Lobsteria only?

The Americans do not seem to be able do too much for you.—Sir Conan DOYLE.

Too much for Sir Conan. He must speak for himself.

The opinions gathered from authoriies upon aeronautics concerning the passage of the Atlantic by the flying boat America are mainly favorable, but the wish is plainly father to the thought. The reasons advanced for the success

Jeremy Belknap.
On the title page is this motto: however.

Hold church on roofs .- Headline Getting as near to heaven as possible,

The Colorado mine trouble seemed to be fading into a highly desirable oblivion, but the uplifters will not have In order to stir up more bad blood those distinguished friends MARTINE of New Jersey, State Senator GREEN of Ohio, treasurer of the United Mine Workers, are to hold a lodge of

the oftener it is postponed. Most likely quired to take an advance course in arrest the natural settlement of the seaplane and land work, at the end of issue which is now in progress in virtue of the peace secured in the mine region by the presence of United States troops.

Maxixe is a wild Indian dance .-

Headline Not on the Great White Way. Under the stern eye of the lobster palace masperior skill will be preferred for the ter of ceremonies all the wild dances higher ranks. But in such dangerous are as genteel as ring-around-a-rosy. work as aviation the more daring and The naughtiness is all in the pulpit word pictures of them.

> Study of algebra ruins girls' souls. Headling

The old fashioned idea was that it only wrecked their tempers, but we progress. Most likely the girls won't care much about having x, y, z eliminated from their studies, but there are a few hundred thousand freckled boys in the country who would have spasms of joy if some up to date educator would discover that quadratic equations caused As young men make the best avia- infantile paralysis or senile dementia women vote in this country is a gross extors the Royal Naval Air Service offers or any other old thing that would make aggeration. them unfit to teach.

> After every one in the Carman-Bailey murder case has told two or three con-tradictory stories and been contradicted by two or three impartial witnesses, all contradicted in turn by somebody else. what will the Grand Jury or any other

The pitiful tale of drownings and motor killings again darkens the record of the summer Sunday. One would ton and operation of aeroplanes will be suppose there was some contagion of engaged, those of the first grade re- madness in the Sunday air. Not one of the tragedles of the day is due to unavoidable mischance. Each brief, sad story shows up some man or woman who has abandoned all the ordinary restraints of common sense. scale of the aerial service of the navy, Speeding without regard to possibilities on which a great deal of money is of disaster, swimming or boating as if being spent, indicates a design on the water were safe and stable as the land, part of the Government to make Epart of the Government to make England mistress of the sea as well as of day fatality and not any inherent danthe air. Germany as well as France ger in reasonable sport sanely pursued.

It appears to be quite as expensive as a potential rival, and justly so, con- for the time being to play husband as "angel" to a Broadway star, and the worst of it is the husband can't quit.

## ISLES OF SAFETY Is There a Need for Additional Befuges

in Fifth Avenue? TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Would third street. Forty-second street and

Fifth avenue has become a shopping up corresponding positions on the easterly side of this unnavigable avenue, because of the density, rather intensity, of vehicular travel, a midway resting place at Thirtyeighth street would be very welcome

I may be acutely sensitive of the fear of being run over, but I can admit that while fearlessly as a boy I crossed sev eral times a day Fourth avenue when remaining unregistered. Wait for the I then, however, could hear an engine apare run noiselessly on no set tracks and crossing at Fifty-ninth, wo NEW YORKER. NEW YORK, July 13.

## Bad Planetary Behavior.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: earth passes between the planet Uranus and the sun August 2, and between and the sun August 10. From Au refuse to disclose their age, as required to September 18 these two planets will force the earth to move in a pati the sun, causing hot, dry weather by the law. This is an old story. It force the earth to move in a path nearer the survival of the feminary indicate the survival of the feminate in the survival of the survival of the survival of the survival of the feminate in the survival of the surviv

dim planet, is a little west of it. The second number, wan no chance, of course, earth is now moving toward the repulsion for a seat. The circle of grass to the of these two planets. As it passes under southeast of the band stand had benches them or between their and the sun the earth will rebound from them, like one of the walk that faced it was only half nearer the sun.

Venus, the beautiful planet seen after from the sun by September 19, starting the fall rains. Fall will begin starting the fall rains. D. A. N. Grover.

NEW YORK, July 13.

# Gentle Gunda.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Pert me to remonstrate against the tone the reports in THE SUN concerning Gunda, who is apparently not so bad an elephant as he is represented to be by persons whose interest this representation serves. He is not feroclous in appearance, serves. He is not feroclous in appearance. It was pathetic to see the people with the charge of faces standing so close that

wage earners was 534,002, no mean after his chains were partially released, city? That the salarled employees in manufacturing establishments were manufacturing establishments were this does not seem to be true in any the name of this? upon a public whose better feelings it is sometimes hard to waken gives an un-fair advantage in a fight in which the poor brute can say nothing for himself.

At the zoo to-day a keeper was expatiating upon Gunda's ferocity for the benefit of a crowd that, I am glad to say, did not take his remarks seriously. Many eople know that when an elephant shows ostility toward his keeper there is usually some good reason! and, according to NEW YORK, July 12. M. E. BUHLER.

### A Curious Ignorance Displayed by the Forefathers.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Recently in the Library of Congress came across an election sermon printed by Melcher & Osborn, Portsmouth, 1785. It was preached June 2, 1785, before the New Hampshire Legislature by the Rev.

The best part of a people is always the esser; and of that best part the wisest is -Manuscript of Governor Winthrop.

What poor, mistaken souls were the public men of that day! F. W. H. WASHINGTON, D. C., July 13.

Lynchings in Six Months. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: According to the record kept by Monroe N. of THE SUN I take the liberty to make Work, in charge of the research and statistics division of the Tuskegee Institute, pick up This Sun the first thing there have been during the first six months of 1914 twenty lynchings.

a few casual comments. Every time pick up This Sun the first thing optic anchors on is a very silly demonths of 1914 twenty lynchings.

## SUFFRAGE FIGURES.

Another Correction of Certain State- The Fallacy of a Favorite Prohibition ments of Miss Lexow.

THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: appearing before Secretary of State May news article that appeared in The Sun last week Miss Caroline Lexow made two of July 7 under the caption "Convicts misstatements which I hope you will al- Make War on the Rum Demon" and cludes the foreign born, the unnaturalized, the negro, the Indian, and the Japanese and Chinese. Under the limitations and would have us believe. The whole letter restrictions put on the franchise in these States it is a liberal estimate to say that bition press bureau at Harrisburg. The there are 2,500,000 women voters of all conditions and nationalities who are able argument against the liquor traffic." I to vote. age and condition register, and not more than 70 per cent. of those who register go to the polis. In some States it is as low as 30 per cent. Two-thirds of 2,. 500,000 does not amount to 1,700,000. scribed class and his word and opinion Consequently the statement that 4,000,000

Much has been made of the vote of the

Chicago women at the election of April 7. These are the official figures. There were 516,297 women qualified to register. Of these 217,614, or 42.7 per cent., registered. and of these 163,852 voted, that is, 75.2 per cent. of those registering or 31.7 per cent. of all qualified to vote did vote. The second misstatement is that 1,000,-000 club women indorsed suffrage at the recent biennial convention of the General Federation of Clubs. It was estimated that there were nine or ten thousand present at this convention. Of these 1,716 were entitled as delegates to a vote. This delegation was packed for suffrage and a majority voted for a resolution indors-ing woman suffrage, no opportunity being given for the minority to be heard. This minority, however, sent in a protest which was placed on the records, and not only the State federations all over the country but the individual clubs are now in a ferment of discontent on the question of this resolution, and no one can tell what the outcome will be. As Mrs. Dimies T. S. Denison expressed it, "Any woman who says that one million women by the resolution indorsed woman suffrage is a qualified member of the Ananias Club." Or, as has been suggested, the Sapphira Club.
Mrs. ARTHUR M. Dodge,
President National Association Opposed

to Woman Suffrage. Simsbury, Conn., July 11.

## WAGES CAN BE TOO HIGH. When Above the Market Value They Work a Social Injustice.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: wonder if the agitators for "social jus-tice" could be induced to consider this question briefly: Is it "social justice" or any other kind of justice to permit a cer-tain group of workers to exact wages that are far above the market by means of threats against the welfare of the com-

munity?

To be explicit, is it "social justice" to permit the railroad employees, who are already paid more than any other general class of workers, to use the sheer power of organized menace in an effort to force their high wages still higher?

The average "social justice" babbler is of a type incapable of even understanding that the question is a serious one. It But the interdependence of the whole social fabric makes it as truly unjust to are below the line of equity.

The whole community, including other workers, pays the railroad men's high wages. They are a tax on all of us, and wages. it is time some one in authority had the urage to draw a few comparisons between such wages and the wages paid in other lines of work. The railroad men are demanding more than their share of the sum total of material value annually produced by the united efforts of all work-

# CENTRAL PARK CONCERTS.

be without its benefits, for it will have concerts for the people every night and on its maturing effect that ripens and puts Saturday and Sunday afternoons. Enough that in a multitude of cases it is to be the sugar and flavor in crops that ripen cannot be said in praise of the plan. But what about furnishing a few more benches? Sunday I went to Central Park the southeast just after dark. Uranus, a to hear the concert, arriving during the billiard ball rebounding from two others, supplied. Some of the nearer walks to thus they will force the earth in a path the direct south of the band stand had no benches at all. All of these I within good hearing distance of sunset, is approaching us in the west. Hundreds of people, men and women, it will begin to force the earth outward were standing in the various walks as from the sun by September 18, thereby close as they were allowed by the police, starting the fall rains. Fall will begin in plain sight piled up on the band stand

were extra chairs. When I asked an officer if they could not be used I was told that they could If the city can't furnish any more benches why can't they let the people sit on the grass to hear the concerts? There that the grass does not look vigorous.
The slope in front of the summer house directly north of the band stand could be directly north of the band stand could be

phian economist know that five years ago the average number of individual behaved with extreme violence yesterday they were made hotter on a sweltering were made hotter on a sweltering while all around them was ample space where they could have sat comfortably and been refreshed by the rest and the music. Can't something be done about TIRED FEET.

NEW YORK, July 13.

## The Beginning of the End Again. To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The

situation in Great Britain to-day is sufficiently interesting. On the one hand we see a small minority preparing to defy the will of Parliament and on the situation other we see the army taking sides in politics. What does it all portend? To Hornaday's own account of him in Official Guide, he has been in past less biddable and quick to learn.

NEW YORK, July 12. M. E. BUHLER.

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Dollies. What account of him in me it seems like the beginning of the end of privilege. I think the Tories will find that they have overreached themselves, that after digging a grave for the thority is within halling distance, and if somebody is run down and injured the LOOKERON. NEW YORK, July 13.

for Mr. Barnes

# William the To-Be-Conquered. To the Editor of The Sun-Sir: Your Albany correspondent "Dyed in the Wool Republican" is obsessed with his admira-

fine qualities the Albany boss possesses. He is a man in every sense of the w but politically he has outlived his useful-

The only question now before the Reablican voter is, "Would you prefer to in with Roosevelt or lose with Barnes."

NEW YORK, July 13. Our to Win.

So numerous have been the escapes of

months of 1914 twenty lynchings.

This is four less than for the same period a year ago and sixteen less than for the first six months of the year 1912.

About "Women's Rights." Let it be said once and forever that they have none, never did have any and never will have any. No one but an egotist would harthat all the difficulties of the coming revolution in Irish affairs may be simflarly solved in a spirit of peace, if not exactly of good will. The threatened civil war grows more and more distant passing an examination he will be re
that all the difficulties of the coming with the navy and acquire its transition has been sent to John D. Rockefeller to attend. Of the number lynched since January to fine first summing of the year [912] and of the first summing of the year [912] and of the first summing of the year [912] and of the first summing of the year [912] and of the first summing of the year [912] and of the first summing of the year [912] and of the first summing of the year [912] and of the property of the first summing of the year [912] and of the first summing of the year [91 NEW YORK, July 13.

DRINK AND CRIME.

## Argument Exposed. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The

low me to correct. The first was that 4,000,000 women vote in this country. The facts are that the census shows in the nine suffrage States and Illinois a State to submit the question of statewide total of only 3,565,564 women twenty-one years old and over, and this total includes the foreign been the unparturalized. ote. A very high estimate would be two-thirds of the women of voting petition the Pennsylvania Legislature for petition the Pennsylvania Legislature for statewide prohibition from the confine go for naught. He is recognized as an enemy to society, and society doesn't generally listen to or ask for advice from its enemies. Now let us look at the other side of this so-called sociological

argument.
The congenital degenerate in prison for a nameless crime feels less responsible for his guilt when he falsely points to the saloon and drink as the cause of his crime. The ingenious inquirer, who may be a minister or sentimental college girl infused with the "uplift" mania, records another mark against the liquor traffic. How many of our statistics of the al-leged ravages of alcohol are based upon just such reports? So it is with many other inmates of our fails and asylums They tearfully ascribe their downfall to the curse of drink, not to abnormal traits nor to the weakness or defects of their moral nature, because the alleged victim of drink or drugs excites pity and sym-pathy not usually accorded to the de-liberate criminal; yet it is a well known fact that many burglars, gamblers and "gunnen" are total abstainers, denying themselves the use of tobacco in order, to their way of thinking, that the nerves and that there will be less friction. required in the exercise of their calling may be keyed up to the highest effirequired in the exercise

The girl who goes wrong because of some hereditary weakness, love of finery or animal gratification, and who in her downward career may be found in a back room kept by a too complaisant saloon keeper or in the luxurious apartments of our finest hotels and apartment houses. somehow salves her conscience by blam-ing her plight on drink and the saloon. Social workers whose uplifting endeavors are sincere and free from personal glorification are coming to realize that many young women entered upon lives of shame long before they began to drink. The accompanying effect should not be confounded with the cause

Supporting these statements is the con-tention of Al J. Jennings, a once noted bandit and who is now a candidate for the Governorship of Oklahoma. He re-cently told the story of his life and his experiences as a convict in the Saturday Evening Post. Jennings says:

Part of my duty was to interrogate in Then and there I had light on blanks. prison statistics. One of the questions ran "To what do you attribute your downfall? In nine cases out of ten the experienced prisoner answered "Drink." will strike him as a totally new thought that any wages can be too high to be just. But the interdependence of the whole soventional reason, which stopped further cial fabric makes it as truly unjust to pay excessive wages as to pay wages that are below the line of equity. cuse to work up sympathy. Men who had served many terms used to smile as they said it; and I grew so tired of putting down this insincere answer that I used to write "Natural depravity" or "Commo Again, the absence of home influence,

coupled with the fact that the majority of prisoners are strangers in places where they commit crime and are conseers. They are beyond their rights in demanding still more. Side by side with the railroad men stand the structural or building trades.

Boston, July 11.

Boston, July 11. and women actually commit criminal deeds to assure themselves of a refuge in some penitentiary, something to eat and will be practice. regarded as a symptom of an abnormal condition rather than its cause. words, if we had fewer mentally persons we should have less crim

JEROME A. Ross. NEWARK, N. J., July 13.

# Drys in the Wet.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Why does the Anti-Saloon League, which fighting for national prohibition, meet at Why not patronize some temperance resort and show a little con-HARRISON W. WILSON. NEWARK, N. J., July 11.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Dr. caustic summing up of Col's character would seem to apply with exon the grass to hear the concerts? There is only one small plot, so shaded by trees that the grass does not look vigorous.

The grass to hear the concerts? There is only one small plot, so shaded by trees that the great doctor to Boswell, "he has an intrepidity of talk whether he under-

> G. S. LA T. MATWOOD, W. Va., July 11.

Midnight Speeding on Washington Heights. To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Because seem to tempt automobilists and

the broad avenues of Washington Heights cyclists into operating their machines in excess of the speed limit, residents of that section of the city, which, by the way, is strictly a residential section, are extremely careful when they venture across a thor oughfare. As a matter of fact, they have every reason to exercise extreme vigilance. Unless they do so they are in grave danger of being run down at any moment by auto or motor cycle with an operator who prizes speed above human life.

in A strange phase of the matter is that To just about the time the clock is nearing midnight the speed maniacs begin to open set! somebody is run down and injured the chances of apprehension are very small. They have nothing to fear from the foot police. Hence they are willing to take all kinds of chances to prove that their ma-chines can travel along with the best of them and not take any one's smoke.

Those who have closely observed condi-tions state that the majority of speeders appear to be young men. In most cases these young men are accompanied by young women whose presence undoubtedly influ-ences the men to "show off." Worst of all. according to observers, some of these parties appear to be under the influence

an intoxicated person.

So numerous have been the escapes of residents that motor cycle policemen have been stationed on the thoroughfares of Washington Heights. Their presence should have a discouraging effect on the hopes of the speeders.

## NEW YORK, July 13. An Illness and a Beverage.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The news article in THE SUN headed "Convicts Make

War on the Rum Demon" reminds me of "Oh, when the Devil got sick The Devil a monk would be

But when the Devil got well The Devil a monk was he." MATWOOD, W. Va., July 10,

# **AMERICA WILL TRY**

ICE SLED BOTTOM

Latest Experiment May Solve

Water Planing Troubles of

Oversea Flier. TEST TO BE MADE TO-DAY

## Shipment of Boat From This City to Newfoundland on Saturday Impossible.

HAMMONDSPORT, N. Y., July 13 - 3 other new bottom is being fitted to ... transatlantic flying boat America, which the experts hope, will cause her to slide over the top of the water at high speclike a handsled on the ice. The bottowhich will be ready for trial to-morro is of the sea sled type, an inverted which extends a foot and a half beyon! the hull on each side and three and a half feet out from the bow.

Theoretically as the America gains speed she will mount the water until she is sliding over the surface on the runners at the bottom of the inverted V. This principle has been found suc cessful in a type of water skimming craft that is made by a Boston firm and M: Curtiss believes that it will solve the America's water planing trouble. It is said that the America will leave no wake of rough water with this type of bottom

This is the second entire new botton that has been fitted to the America. The other was built on July 3 and was of the regular V shaped type. enough fins, pontoons and hydroplane boards that have been discarded in ex periments on the America piled back of the Curtiss hangar to make two big

The sea sled bottom will be ready for trial to-morrow. It is now impossible to get the America ready for shipment to Newfoundland from New York on the Stephano-Saturday, as had been planned If she were to leave New York Saturda the packers would have to start work here to-morrow, and the end of the ex periments is not in sight. Lieut. Ports has not cancelled his passage for next Saturday, and he will go a week ahead of the America if a satisfactory hydroplan surface is found in time

# CAN FLY OCEAN, HE BELIEVES.

Shows Possibility.

BERLIN, July 13 .-- The fact that two German aviators, Landmann and Boehm. have recently remained in the air for about twenty-four hours, covering between 1,200 and 1,350 miles in that time, has increased the interest here in the transatlantic flight of Lieut. Porte in the Cur tiss hydro-aeropiane America. Both the German aviators say they could have kept on except for the fact that they ran short of petrol.

Landmann's record was made on June He made a non-stop flight of twentyone hours and forty-nine minutes, and covered in that time about 1,200 mile Reinhold Boehm, another German airman went after this record on Friday. He used a regular army Albatross biplane he had been in the air for 24 hours and

12 minutes. He estimates that he covered 1,350 miles. He averaged about 47½ miles an hour.

Boehm is confident that the transatlantic flight for the London Daily Mail's prize of \$50,000 can be made. He says:

"It is only a case of a sufficiently power." "It is only a case of a sufficiently power-il machine. No machine, in my opinion.

# GOODYEAR WINS BALLOON RACE.

## Missing Pilot Landed 115 Miles Southeast of S. Louis. ST. Louis, July 13 .- T. S. Cole of St

Louis, pilot of the balloon San Francisco 1915, whose whereabouts were unknown for twenty hours after the seven other contestants in the national balloon race had been heard from, reported, in a message which reached St. Louis at 1 P. M. to-day, that he had landed at 10 A. M. Sunday near McLeansboro, Ill., about

M. Sunday near McLeansboro, III., about 115 miles southeast of St. Louis.

This showed the Goodyear of Akron. Ohio, piloted by R. A. D. Preston, with M. D. Tremelin as aid, to be the winner of the contest. The Goodyear landed on Sunday at Constance, Ky., near the Ohio River and 300 miles east of St. Louis The six others landed in Indiana and Illinois. All started from St. Louis Sat

# WOMEN WON'T SPOIL JUNKET.

Two Chicago Commissions Here, but They Don't Mix.

Commissioners appointed by the City studying the railway terminal systems in European cities arrived at the Hotel Biltmore yesterday and will sail to-day Among the twenty-five on the Lusitania.

on the Lusitania. Among the twenty-five commissioners are John F. Wallace. Bion J. Arnold and Walter L. Fisher. Yesterday afternoon the commissioners called upon Mayor Mitchel. They were introduced by Dock Commissioner R. A. C. Smith, who earlier in the day had taken them on a sight seeing and inspection tour. them on a sightseeing and inspection tou Mr. Arnold, recognized as probably t foremost subway expert, said last night: "Chicago is preparing to spend more than \$65,000,000 on terminals and im-provements. Our business is to get ideas in Europe—to study the best they have

At the Hotel Belmont was another commission appointed by the Chicago City Pathers. It was composed of two women. Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, Superintendent of Public Schools in Chicago, and Mrs. Ger trude Howe Britton, head of the Juvenile Protective Association. They will sail the Lusitania, but they are not bothering their heads about the sayings or doings of the men commissioners at the Biltime

tional and social conditions in Europe They say they have neither the time nor the inclination to fuss with a lot of m sion was afraid that the appointment of women would spoil a perfectly good stag

Their business is to investigate ed

## junket, but it didn't work out that was SUFFRAGISTS FAIL IN HOUSE.

250 Visitors Told Votes Question Will Not Come Up Until August 1. Washington, July 13.—Two hundred and fifty suffragists visited the Capital to-day in an effort to induce the House mmittee on Rules to make a report of agree

constitutional amendment granting

to women.

They falled as they have on a numb of previous occasions. They were in-formed by Representative Pou of North Carolina, the acting chairman, that under a gentleman's agreement made days ago the committee will not hold a meeting on the suffrage question until August